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**From:** Moler, Robert  
**Sent:** Tue 9/6/2016 3:27:55 PM  
**Subject:** Re: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls  
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Attached is an updated draft of the communication strategy based on the new timeline and your feedback. In this draft, I've changed the SAA language to read, The Superfund Alternative was requested by the Glencore/CFAC and the EPA seriously considered the Superfund Alternative for the site. However, the EPA chose not to pursue the Superfund Alternative approach because the City of Columbia Falls, the Governor's office and Senator Tester's office supported full listing.

Please let me know what other changes may be needed. Thanks!

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**From:** Cirian, Mike  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 6, 2016 9:02:34 AM  
**To:** Moler, Robert; Mutter, Andrew; Mylott, Richard; Wardell, Christopher; Ketellapper, Victor; Miller, Johanna; Chalfant, Mark  
**Subject:** RE: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

Hi All,

The statement below is not correct. Superfund Alternative was requested by the Glencore/CFAC. We got involved with the whole superfund process once CFAC withdrew from negotiations with the DEQ. We negotiated and signed an AOC in November of 2015. That was only for the RI/FS. Support for full listing come from the City of Columbia Falls, Governor's office and Senator Tester's office.

"However, the Superfund Alternative approach was not pursued after CFAC withdrew from negotiations with MDEQ for an administrative order for CFAC to conduct the RI/FS." is an accurate statement.

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**Subject:** Re: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

I am looping in Mike, Victor and Johanna for perspective.

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**From:** Mutter, Andrew

**Sent:** Friday, September 2, 2016 8:57:15 AM

**To:** Moler, Robert; Mylott, Richard; Wardell, Christopher

**Subject:** FW: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

All,

See Deb's comments below. Any insights?

Andrew

**Andrew Mutter**

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**Subject:** RE: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

Thanks Chris and Andrew. It looks like you have an handle on this. In the communication strategy please verify that, "However, the Superfund Alternative approach was not pursued after CFAC withdrew from negotiations with MDEQ for an administrative order for CFAC to conduct the RI/FS." is an accurate statement. I thought we were communicating to the company that we were still evaluating the Alternative approach even after they left the negotiation table. I may have the timing confused.

Deb

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**Subject:** RE: NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

Attached is the most recent comm strat I have. I can reach out to Sen. Tester's office and let them know about the listing and we plan to do Congressional notification next Tuesday to all MT Congressional offices working with Robert Moler in the MT. office. In the attached comm strat it

does state that Congressman Ryan Zinke does not support the listing. Let me know if you have further questions. Thanks

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**Subject:** NPL Listing and Columbia Falls

I have not been in the loop on Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant (CFAP) for a while. I know when I was involved there was a lot of concern about the timing of the listing and a Superfund Alternative Approach. We stated that we were considering the company's request for a Superfund Alternative Approach and if a final NPL listing were to be made it would not be before fall 2016. Senator Tester's office has been very engaged and it is important that there be no surprises for his office or the community at large. I see CFAP is on the NPL listing slated for release next week. Is the communication strategy ready?

Deb

**From:** Miller, Johanna  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 01, 2016 4:27 PM  
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**Subject:** Fwd: NPL Rules Have Been Signed by the AA

Andrew is staying in contact with Nancy for the actual timing. Johanna

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Cohen, Nancy" <[Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
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Thanks, Terry. Adding Trish, nancy

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 1, 2016, at 4:40 PM, Jeng, Terry <[Jeng.Terry@epa.gov](mailto:Jeng.Terry@epa.gov)> wrote:

The proposed and final NPL rules were signed by Mathy Stanislaus this afternoon.

The NPL rules have been sent to the Federal Register office. The projected publication date is September 8, however, it is uncertain with the Monday holiday whether we will make that publication date.

Right now, issuance of the press release, congressional notification

and web update with new site information is scheduled for September 6.

If any of these dates change, I will let you know as soon as I know.

**Terry Jeng**

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### Proposed Rule:

<b>State</b>	<b>Site Name</b>	<b>City/County</b>
FL	Post and Lumber Preserving Co. Inc.	Quincy
MA	Microfab Inc (Former)	Amesbury
NE	Old HWY 275 and N 288 <sup>th</sup> Street	Valley
NV	Anaconda Copper Mine	Yerington
NY	Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics	Village of Hoosick Falls
PR	The Battery Recycling Company	Bo. Cambalache
TN	Former Custom Cleaners	Memphis
TX	Highway 18 Ground Water	Kermit

### Final Rule:

<b>State</b>	<b>Site Name</b>	<b>City/County</b>
CA	Argonaut Mine	Jackson
CO	Bonita Peak Mining District	San Juan County
IN	West Vermont Drinking Water Contamination	Indianapolis

LA	SBA Shipyard	Jennings
MT	Anaconda Aluminum Co Columbia Falls Reduction Plant	Columbia Falls
NY	Wappinger Creek	Dutchess County
OH	Valley Pike VOCs	Riverside
PR	Dorado Ground Water Contamination	Dorado
TX	Eldorado Chemical Co., Inc.	Live Oak
WV	North 25 <sup>th</sup> Street Glass and Zinc	Clarksburg